



City of Murrieta

Community Services Department
Youth Center

YOUTH POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

HISTORY

The Murrieta Youth Center (MYC) was imagined in the early 2000's as a two phase project dedicated to the youth of Murrieta. Phase one, completed late 2013, is a six thousand square foot facility with, lounge/ game room, computer lab, conference room, outdoor space, staff offices and multipurpose room. Phase two is intended to be an indoor gymnasium complete with workout room, locker room and gymnasium storage.

PARTICIPATION

The MYC is a drop-in recreational program open to students' grades 6th thru 9th (must show valid school ID or report card verifying grade). Participants will be responsible for their decisions, actions and attendance at the MYC. Staff of the MYC will primarily strive to build a positive and safe environment for participants. Staff cannot physically prevent participants from leaving the site. Parents should discuss the arrival and departure time with their youth and strongly discourage them from leaving the facility prior to the agreed upon time. It is the responsibility of the participant and the parent to arrange transportation to and from the facility.

MEMBERSHIP

The MYC is a fee based program offering affordable afterschool programming for all youth grads 6th-9th. Participation is limited to a first-come, first serve basis, until capacity is reached. Annual memberships to the MYC are offered at \$20 per year for residents and \$25 for non-residents. Members are required to complete the attached registration packet and are issued a membership ID card. The MYC will require members to keep an updated emergency card on file.

All Youth attending the Youth Center must have a membership. One time access will be granted to those without a membership.

DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIOR

Participation at the MYC is a privilege and can be revoked due to inappropriate actions and behavior. All participants are responsible for their behavior and must read and understand the following Youth Center rules to participate.

No Messin'- Respect the privacy and belongings of the youth center and other participants. If it's not yours don't mess with it. Harassment of any kind (physical, emotional and mental) is not tolerated. (MYC staff is not responsible for participants' belongings)

No Missin'- No missing equipment; return all items checked out. No missing required meetings.

No Mixin' - Inappropriate actions with persons of the opposite attraction are prohibited. Age groups are to remain within their areas.

No Mouthin' - Verbal harassment and inappropriate language are not tolerated.

No Mischief – Skateboarding, scootering, bike riding is not allowed at the center. No defacing facility or property. Weapons, drugs, alcohol and tobacco are not tolerated. School dress code rules apply.

The City of Murrieta reserves the right to search participants and/or their belongings at the City's discretion if suspicion of a violation of a rule of conduct exists. Violation of any rule(s) may result in the suspension and/or expulsion from any current and or future City of Murrieta programs. All actions are subject to review by the administrators of the program.

ACTIVITIES

All activities offered by the MYC will be age appropriate. Participants may opt in or out of activities offered however in some cases participation will be strongly encouraged. Some special classes, programs, events and activities will require mandatory participation; participants will be notified if mandatory participation is required.

Movies:

The Murrieta Youth Center provides its members with an opportunity to view movie during various programs. Movies shown at the MYC will have a rating range of G to PG-13; participation in movies is optional. The movies viewed may include mature themes, strong language, mild violence or comedic violence. Staff will attempt to avoid any movies that contain inappropriate material, such as excessive profane language, graphic violence and explicit content.

Video Games:

Participants may be allowed to use the video game consoles and games provided by the Murrieta Youth Center. Staff will monitor the use of the video games in order to avoid the viewing of inappropriate content.

WAIVERS

In the event any of the information provided on the attached waiver changes please notify the Murrieta Youth Center staff so participant files can be updated.

We would like to thank you in advance for reading this packet thoroughly and completing the necessary forms and understanding its content to the best of your ability.

Sincerely,

Murrieta Youth Center Staff



City of Murrieta

Community Services Department

Murrieta Youth Center

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Official Use Only

Staff Initial _____

School ID Verified _____

Waiver Signed _____

ID Card Given _____

Renewal _____

Participant Application

The Murrieta Youth Center (MYC) is designed to serve as a drop in recreation facility for local youth. The primary user groups for the MYC are 6th- 9th grade students (must show valid school ID or report card verifying grade). The MYC offers a unique programming opportunity by empowering youth to decide how their time is spent while at the youth center. Parent and guardians are asked to fill out the waiver and liability release which will be kept on file for all general youth center activities.

The staff of the MYC would like to remind guardians that participants at the youth center will have the freedom to come and go as they please during facility hours. If selected below the MYC staff will make every non physical attempt to keep participants at the youth center per the guardians' request. However, please understand that the only situation the MYC staff can assure is that your child will be supervised while at the MYC.

Thank you for your support of the MYC.

Today's Date _____

Childs Name _____ "Nickname" _____ DOB _____

Grade/ School _____

Guardian Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Alt. Phone _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Please Check One:

My child must remain at the center until they are picked up. _____

My child is permitted to come and go freely. _____

My child is... (fill in your request) _____

"Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement"

Waiver: In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way at the Youth Center, I, for myself, my heirs, personal representatives or assigns, **do hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue** The City of Murrieta, its officers, employees, and agents from liability **from any/all claims including the negligence of the City of Murrieta, its officers, employees and agents**, resulting in personal injury, accidents or illnesses (including death), and property loss arising from, but not limited to, participation in this event.

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian of Minor

Date

Assumption of Risks: Participation in this event carries with it certain inherent risks that cannot be eliminated regardless of the care taken to avoid injuries. The specific risks vary from one activity to another, but the risks range from 1) minor injuries such as scratches, bruises, and sprains 2) major injuries such as eye injury or loss of sight, joint or back injuries, heart attacks and concussions to 3) catastrophic injuries including paralysis and death.

I have read the previous paragraphs and I know, understand, and appreciate these and other risks that are inherent in this event and I hereby assert that my participation is voluntary and that I knowingly assume all such risks.

Indemnification and Hold Harmless: I also agree to INDEMNIFY and HOLD the City of Murrieta HARMLESS from any and all claims, actions, suits, procedures, costs, expenses, damages and liabilities, including attorney's fees brought as a result of my involvement in this activity and to reimburse them for any such expenses incurred. I hereby acknowledge that as a voluntary participant that I am not an employee of the City of Murrieta and that I am not covered under the City's workers' compensation plan. I intend to perform voluntary services for or in the City of Murrieta without compensation. As a condition of performing the above referenced volunteer activities, I hereby knowingly and unequivocally waive, release and discharge any and all rights that I, my heirs, assigns, agents or other representatives may have or which hereafter may accrue to me, to file any claim, lawsuit and/or any other cause of action against the City of Murrieta, its employees, officers, agencies, other volunteers and officials as a result of performing said volunteer services. In granting this full and complete release and waiver of liability on the part of the City of Murrieta, I specifically waive California Civil Code Section 1542, which states:

A general release does not extend to claims, which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him, must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

I expressly desire to release the City of Murrieta, its employees, officers, other volunteers, property owner, and officials from any financial responsibility to me for any personal injury and/or property damage I may incur as a result of my voluntary participation, even when it results from the negligence, both active and passive, of the City of Murrieta and/or its employees. I understand that accidents and injuries can arise out of my volunteer activities; knowing the risk, nevertheless, I hereby agree to assume those risks and to release and to hold harmless the City of Murrieta, its employees, officers, agencies, other volunteers and officials, who (through negligence or carelessness) might otherwise be liable to me (or my heirs, assigns, agents or other representatives) for damages. No promise, inducement, or agreement has been made to me to induce me to release the City of Murrieta from liability for any personal injury and/or property damage incurred by me as a result of my voluntary participation, nor has any promise, inducement, or agreement been made to me in return for the express waiver of rights referred to above.

Initials: _____

Severability: The undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing waiver and assumption of risks agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of California and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

Acknowledgement of Understanding: I have read this waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement, fully understand its terms, and **understand that I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue.** I acknowledge that I am signing the agreement freely and voluntarily, and **intend by my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability** to the greatest extent allowed by law.

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian of Minor

Date

Participant's Age (if minor) _____